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Sir:

On August 14, 2003, I filed a PETITION TO ACCEPT UNAVOIDABLY DELAYED PAYMENT OF MAINTENANCE FEE IN AN EXPIRED PATENT (37 CFR 1.378(b)), which is currently awaiting action. Please withdraw the "Unavoidable" Petition under 37 CFR 1.378(b) in favor of the enclosed "Unintentional" Petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), and transfer the check

for \$1020.00 enclosed with the "Unavoidable" Petition under 37 CFR 1.378(b) to the enclosed "Unintentional" Petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c).

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